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SUBJECT: AMSPEC JANINA HOSKINS

1. HOSKINS COMPLETED A SUCCESSFUL 8-DAY TRIP TO POLAND WHICH INCLUDED VISITS TO TORUN, GNIEZNO, KORNIK, POZNAN AND A LECTURE AT THE NATIONAL LIBRARY IN WARSAW. HOSKINS' PROGRAM WAS ARRANGED BY THE NATIONAL LIBRARY WHICH PROVIDED INTERNAL TRAVEL AND PER DIEM. SHE ALSO VISITED THE AMERICAN STUDIES CENTER LIBRARY AT WARSAW UNIVERSITY AND ADVISED HOW TO ACQUIRE RELEVANT LC PUBLICATIONS AND HOLDINGS. SHE PROPOSED A VISIT TO POLAND BY

THE PRESENT LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS, DANIEL BOORSTIN. THIS WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF A SEPARTE MESSAGE.

2. HOSKINS ALSO MET WITH LIBRARY DIRECTORS AND VISITED SEVERAL VALUABLE POLISH COLLECTIONS. SHE WAS PARTICULARLY IMPRESSED WITH GNIEZNO. SHE APPRECIATED THE OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT SMALL REGIONAL LIBRARIES WHICH CONTAIN NO WESTERN BOOKS EXCEPT SOME LITERATURE IN TRANSLATION. ATTENDANCE AT SUCH LIBRARIES IS HIGH. SPECIAL ATTENTION IS FOCUSED ON YOUNG READERS.

3. HOSKINS RECEIVED APPROPRIATE COURTESIES FROM POLISH LIBRARIES WHICH HAD VERY MUCH BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO HER VISIT. SHE EXPANDED OUR CONTACT WITH IMPORTANT LIBRARIES IN POLAND AND PROVIDED INSIGHTS INTO THE US AND POLISH LIBRARY SYSTEMS.

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4. WE AND THE NATIONAL LIBRARY UNITE IN EXPRESSING

OUR SATISFACTION WITH HOSKINS' VISIT. WE WOULD
WELCOME HER BACK AT ANY TIME.
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